

REVISED AGENDA
POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS INTERIM COMMITTEE
UTAH LEGISLATURE

Approximate
Time Frame

Wednesday, April 16, 2008 • 2:00 p.m. • Room W020 House Building

2:00 **1. Committee Business**

- Call to order - Senator Dennis Stowell, Senate Chair
- Approval of the minutes of the November 14, 2007 meeting

2. Vision Dixie

Vision Dixie is a county-wide conversation that was created to provide opportunities for the public to make informed recommendations for the future of Washington County. Residents were asked to help outline a broad vision for how Washington County could accommodate population growth, protect its environment, enhance its economic strength, and maintain its quality of life. Vision Dixie is an outgrowth of the Washington County Growth and Conservation Act of 2006 - the so-called Lands Bill. Vision Dixie was formed to help Washington County residents find areas of common interest and guide decisions on public land disposal. Additional information can be found at www.visiondixie.org.

The Committee will be briefed on Vision Dixie, an example of what could be done in other parts of the state.

- Alan Matheson, Executive Director, Coalition for Utah's Future, Sponsor of Envision Utah

3. Review Interim Study Items

On March 26, 2008 the Legislative Management Committee met and assigned items from S.J.R. 11, Master Study Resolution, to the interim committees for review. Study items assigned to the Political Subdivisions Interim Committee are:

- Item #156, County Surveyors*
- Item #157, Disaster Fund Participation*
- Item #158, Health Department Funding*
- Item #159, Local Regulation of State Land Development*
- Item #160, Manufactured Housing*
- Item #161, New Entities and Boundary Changes*
- Item #162, Residential Construction and Affordable Housing*
- Item #163, Riparian Overlay Zones*
- Item #164, Zoning and Housing Development*

The sponsor of each study item has been invited to brief the Committee on:

- 1) What is the problem?*
- 2) When does the sponsor want the Committee to discuss the problem/solution?*
- 3) What is the sponsor's goal?*

Do committee members have additional study topics that should be added to this year's study list?

- Briefing by study sponsors
- Public comment regarding the importance of studying a particular study item
- Committee discussion

4. Relationship of Local Regulation and State Agency Activities

Master Study Resolution item #159 is "To study whether the Department of Transportation, the School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration, and other state agencies who acquire or develop land should be required to abide by local city and county ordinances or the wishes of the county legislative body or the city mayor and council."

- Explanation of existing laws which provide exemptions to regulation - Committee Staff
- City perspective - Cory Ritz, Farmington City Councilman
- County Commission perspective - Dave Haslam, Uintah County Commissioner
- Other local government officials
- Landowner/Developer Perspective
- Response from following agencies:
 - Utah Department of Transportation (re: Legacy Highway)
 - School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration (re: Local Zoning Ordinances)
 - Division of Wildlife Resources (re: Bison in the Book Cliffs)
- Public comment
- Committee discussion

5. Followup Issues Regarding Local Districts

The Special Districts Subcommittee of the Political Subdivisions Interim Committee has for the past several years worked on rewriting/recodifying Title 17A regarding special districts (now called local districts). Passed in the 2007 General Session, the 750 page H.B. 65, "Special and Local Districts Amendments," was a significant milestone in the recodification/rewrite. The 275 page S.B. 47, "Limited Purpose Local Government Entities Revisions," (passed in the 2008 General Session) concluded the rewrite/recodification of the multi-year effort. Since the rewrite, some issues have been discovered. These issues will be reviewed.

- Electrical Power issues in Garfield/Kane Counties
- Irrigation District in Enterprise/Beryl - Dallin Jensen
- Bonding Issues - Blaine Carlton
- Other issues
- Public comment
- Committee discussion

5:00 6. Adjourn